

APR 26 2006
U.S. PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE
O I P E IAP28

MAIL STOP AF
RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP 3700

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Y. Chin et al. Attorney Docket No.: BSME119700

Application No.: 10/630,440 Art Unit: 3739 / Confirmation No.: 7928

Filed: July 29, 2003 Examiner: B.M. Flanagan

Title: VISION CATHETER

TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR AMENDMENT
AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116/
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Seattle, Washington 98101

April 21, 2006

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

A. Amendment Transmittal

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

X 1. No additional claim fee is required, as shown below.
 2. The claim fee has been calculated as shown below.

COMPUTATION OF FEE FOR CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Total Claims	20	-	20	= 0 x 50	= 0
Independent Claims	3	-	3	= 0 x 200	= 0
TOTAL					\$0

B. Petition for Extension of Time

Applicants respectfully request that the shortened statutory period for response to the outstanding Office Action dated November 23, 2005, set to expire on February 23, 2006, be extended by 2 months, to expire on April 23, 2006.

04/26/2006 HDESTA1 00000000 10630440

01 FC:1252 450.00 0P

LAW OFFICES OF
CHRISTENSEN O'CONNOR JOHNSON KINDNESS PLLC
1420 Fifth Avenue
Suite 2800
Seattle, Washington 98101
206.682.8100

C. Fees Enclosed

Enclosed is our Check No. 170136 in the amount of \$450 to cover the request for extension of time fee.

D. Additional Fee Charges or Credit for Overpayment

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.18 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 03-1740. This authorization also hereby includes a request for any extensions of time of the appropriate length required upon the filing of any reply during the entire prosecution of this application. A copy of this document is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

CHRISTENSEN O'CONNOR
JOHNSON KINDNESS^{PLLC}



Rodney C. Tullett
Registration No. 34,034
Direct Dial No. 206.695.1730

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service in a sealed envelope as first class mail with postage thereon fully prepaid and addressed to Mail Stop AF, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on the below date.

Date: April 21, 2006



RCT:pt

LAW OFFICES OF
CHRISTENSEN O'CONNOR JOHNSON KINDNESS^{PLLC}
1420 Fifth Avenue
Suite 2800
Seattle, Washington 98101
206.682.8100